Type of Vehicles	Production
Multi-Utility Vehicles	1,34,613
Two Wheelers' Three	30,72,667
Wheelers	2,34,867
TOTAL:	40,04,147

(d) No, Sir.

(e) No, Sir.

Loss in HMT

1252. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that HMT watch Division is losing heavily;

(b) what is the total cumulative loss incurred by the Watch Division; and

(c) what steps have been taken by Government to review the watch factory?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SIKANDER BAKHT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The cumulative loss incurred by the Watch Di"ision is Rs. 21 Crores.

(c) The performance of HMT is regularly monitored and reviewed by the Government.

Policy formulation for wood based industries

1253. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: DR. D. VENKATESHWAR RAO: DR. MOHAN BABU:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any new policy has been formulated/proposed to be laid down in the forest areas for wood based industries after the enactment of Forest Protection Act;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and *

(c) the steps taken by Government to develop wood based industries?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SIKANDER BAKHT): (a) and (b) No new policy has been formulated in the forest areas for wood-based industries.

(c) Vide Press Note No. 11(1997 series) issued on 17th July, 1997 by the Ministry of Industry, plywood, veneers of all types and other wood based products such as particle board, medium density fibre board/block board have since been de-licensed subject to locational conditions, and relevant statutes/statutory/ppjicy notifications such as the Wild Life Protection' Act, 1972,' National Forest Policy and directions and decisions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

Industrial Mishaps

1254. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that quite a large number of Industries have experienced blast and industrial mishap during last three years;

(b) whether Government have collected reports on such blasts or mishaps;

(c) whether it is a fact that no specifications on construction, storage, pipelines, reactors have been evolved by his Ministry; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that Industrial inspectors have not been rigidly implementing safety measures?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SIKANDER BAKHT): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Production of Salt in Thane

1255. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total quantum of salt produced in the district of Thane;

(b) what are the number of people employed in this industry;